



Ketubah, Meshed, Persia, 1889

The African And Middle Eastern Division's
Hebraic And Near East Sections,
At The Library of Congress
In Conjunction With
The Joseph And Rebecca Meyerhoff Center For Jewish Studies &
The Roshan Cultural Heritage Institute Center For Persian Studies
At The University Of Maryland, College Park
Co-host A Two Day International Conference On

Iranian Jewry: From Past To Present

Conference dates: November 2nd & 3rd 2008

(Sunday, Nov. 2nd Sessions are held at The University of Maryland's Van Munching Hall)

Monday, November 3rd Sessions:

The Library of Congress, James Madison Building, Mumford Room (6th Floor)

Session IV: Jews in Medieval Persian Cultures 9:30AM-11:15 AM

Parvaneh Pourshariati, "Jewish Participation in Over-Land Trade in Late Antique Iran: A Preliminary Assessment"
Maria Subtelny, "The Jews at the Edge of the World: The Islamic Ascension Narrative as Missionary Text in Medieval Iran"
Vera Moreen, "Neglected Sources: The Riches of Judeo-Persian Manuscripts"

Session V: Resources for the Study of Iranian Jewry 11:30 AM-12:30 PM

Peggy Pearlstein, "Iranian Judaic and Hebraic Resources in the Collections of the Library of Congress"
Hirad Dinavari, "Jewish Resources in Persian and Iranian Collections at the Library of Congress"
Vera Moreen, "Of Making Many Encyclopedias There Is No End: Reflections on the Encyclopedia of Jews in the Islamic World"

Session VI: Jewish Material Culture and Folk Art 1:30 PM-3:15 PM

Judith Goldstein, "Muslim Rulers and Jewish Holy Men: Oral Tradition and the Imagination of Political Agency"
Shalom Sabar, "Persian and Kurdish Jewish Amulets: Shapes and Images, Texts and Social Function"
Evan Rapport, "Bukharian Jewish Musical Life and Its Relationship to Judeo-Persian Culture"

Session VII: Jewish Culture in Twentieth Century Iran 3:30 PM -5:00 PM

Orly Rahimiyan, "The Iranian Shylock: The Image of the Jews in Iranian Cinema"
Jaleh Pirnazar, "Post-Revolutionary Jewish Iranian Literature"

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